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Re: U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 10/712,838
Applicant: Preston A. Tanner
Filed: 11/12/2003
For: Method and Apparatus for Installing a Carpeting Tack Strip
Docket No. A310170.1US

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are:

- (1) Transmittal letter (1 page);
- (2) Response to Office Action/Amendment (4 pages); which includes Certificate of Mailing; and
- (3) Firm return receipt postcard

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In re Applicant:

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Art Unit: **3721**

Examiner: **Durand, Paul R.**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Office Action issued in the above identified application on June 14, 2006. Applicant appreciates the thorough review of the subject of the invention and the assessment of the prior art and the advice of allowable subject matter.

Applicant herein amends the claims by amending claims 22 and 23 to overcome the objections under 35 U.S.C. 112

Applicant amends the claims under the Revised Format by providing full pages of marked-up claims in a scanable format.